

## Message Text

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ACTION SS-25

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O R 241430Z MAR 78  
FM AMCONSUL JERUSALEM  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 603  
INFO AMEMBASSY AMMAN  
AMEMBASSY BEIRUT IMMEDIATE  
AMEMBASSY CAIRO  
AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS IMMEDIATE  
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S E C R E T JERUSALEM 0868

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PBOR, MARR, UNSC, IS, LE, XF  
SUBJECT: MIDDLE EAST WORKING GROUP - SOUTH LEBANON

REF: A) BEIRUT 1611, B) JERUSALEM 840

1. AT TIME WHEN IT APPEARED SIILASVUO WOULD MAKE THE TRIP TO BEIRUT AND DAMASCUS MARCH 23, HE RECEIVED MESSAGE FROM WALDHEIM AUTHORIZING HIM TO SEE ARAFAT TO SMOOTH WAY FOR UNIFIL UNITS. SIILASVUO, RIGHTLY TO MY MIND, THOUGHT THAT IF HE PERSONALLY WERE TO SEE ARAFAT HIS RELATIONS WITH ISRAELIS WOULD BE SERIOUSLY DAMAGED. HE HAS NO CONFIDENCE IN THE ABILITIES OF GENERAL ERSKINE SO WHEN HIS TRIP WAS POSTPONED, HE DECIDED TO INSTRUCT ILMAC CHIEF ESPINASSY TO MAKE APPROACH. APPARENTLY, LATTER DELEGATED TASK FURTHER TO A PALESTINIAN ON HIS STAFF

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(PARA FOUR BEIRUT 1611).

2. AT PRESENT, IT WOULD SEEM THAT EFFORTS OF UN AND FRENCH WITH PLO HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL SINCE FRENCH UNITS ARE NOW IN TYRE.

3. IF DEPARTMENT CONSIDERS FURTHER MASSAGING OF ARAFAT'S

BRUISED EGO IS IN ORDER, SUGGEST THIS BE DONE AS  
AMBASSADOR PARKER RECOMMENDS BY TELEPHONE CALL FROM  
WALDHEIM OR PERHAPS BETTER YET BY SECRETARIAT OFFICAL JONAH  
DURING BEIRUT STOPOVER MARCH 25.  
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